

## STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

## Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification – Notification of Changes

March 1, 2021

This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced.

## Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following changes to Pollution Area 12, Prouts Neck (Scarborough) to McKenney Point (Cape Elizabeth). This notice renames part of Pollution Area 12 to Growing Area WH. An interactive map that allows the user to zoom in to specific areas can be found on the ME DMR website: <a href="https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/maps/index.html">https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/maps/index.html</a>. All existing pollution and biotoxin closures remain in effect. The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

Prohibited: Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited areas:

- P1. Spurwink River (Scarborough and Cape Elizabeth): north of a line beginning on the shore at the end of Wiley Way (Spurwink River, Scarborough); and running due east to the opposite shore (Cape Elizabeth).
- P2. Prouts Neck (Scarborough): east of a line beginning on the shore near Winslow Homer Road running southeast to the northeastern tip of Stratton Island; AND west of a line beginning at the northeastern tip of Stratton Island then running northeast to the USCG green navigation C" 1" buoy at Old Proprietor (Scarborough); AND south of a line beginning at the USCG green navigation C" 1" buoy then running west to the shore at the end of Beach Road (Scarborough).

Conditionally Approved (Seasonal): Effective immediately, because of seasonal pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops (from aquaculture leases with an MOU only) from the shores, flats and waters of the following Conditionally Approved area(s) during the closed dates:

CA1. Kettle Cove (Cape Elizabeth): east of the Richmond Island break water; AND north of a line beginning at East Point running northeast to McKenney Point (closed August 1st through September 30th).

Approved: All other shores, flats and waters not described in the above sections are Approved and it is lawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, mussels or whole or roe-on scallops (from aquaculture leases with an MOU only) when in the open status. For current status, please refer to the Biotoxin and Emergency Closure Notices on the DMR website: <a href="https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/index.html">https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/index.html</a>

## A. Growing Area WH.

If you have questions, please contact Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9500 Email: <a href="mailto:DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov">DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov</a>. During weekends/holidays, contact on duty Marine Patrol Officers through the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department's website at:

http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfishsanitation-management/closures/pollution.html. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207- 624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,

**Bryant Lewis** 

Western Maine Growing Area Supervisor

Commissioner's Designee

9:00 AM (Effective Time)

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